Notice of Determination

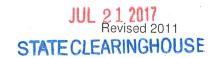
Appendix D

To: ☑ Office of Planning and Resear	rch	From: Public Agency: Department of Water Resources
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of L Resources Code.	Determination in compli	ance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public
State Clearinghouse Number (if s	submitted to State Clearing	nghouse): 2008032062
Project Title: California WaterFix Fi	inal EIR/EIS	
Project Applicant: California Depar		
Project Location (include county)	:See Attachment 1 and Figu	re 1
Project Description: See Attachment 2		
See Attachment 2		
This is to advise that the California (E	ia Department of Water Res	
described project on 7/21/2017	and has made th	e following determinations regarding the above
described project. (date)		
described project.		
 The project [⊠ will ☐ will not M An Environmental Impact R 		on the environment. is project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.		
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.		
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.		
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [X was was not] adopted for this project.		
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were no	t] made pursuant to the p	rovisions of CEQA.
negative Declaration, is available	to the General Public at:	
901 P Street, Fourth Floor, Sacram	ento, CA 95814 or http://bay	deltaconservationplan.com/Home.aspx
Signature (Public Agency):	of Messe	Title: Acting Director
Date: 7/21/2017	Date Recei	ved for filing at OPR:
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Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.



Attachment 1 – Project Location

The project area for the actions evaluated in the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix Final Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) includes the following three geographic regions.

- Upstream of the Delta region.
- Delta Region (referred to as the Plan Area, and distinct from the larger Delta region considered for some areas, consists generally of the statutory Delta, the Yolo Bypass north of the statutory Delta, and Suisun Marsh, as well as the Areas of Additional Analysis, which apply to several BDCP EIR/EIS alternatives).
- SWP and CVP Export Service Areas.

See Figure 1 for a map of the project location.

Figure 1 - Project Location

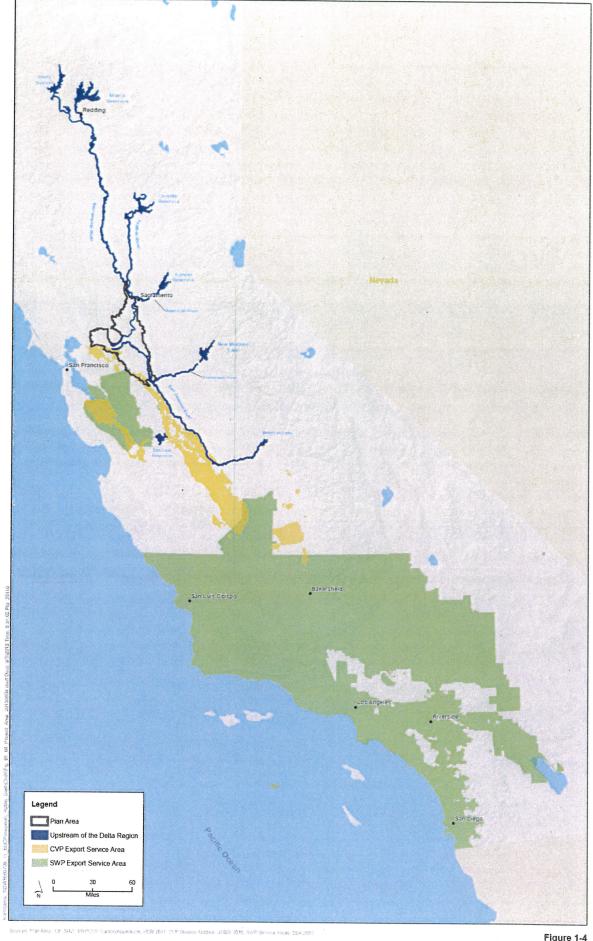


Figure 1-4 Project Area

Attachment 2 – Project Description

The California WaterFix (Project) planning process started in 2006 and was initially proposed as the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). In December 2013, a draft environmental impact report/environmental impact statement (EIR/EIS) to analyze the BDCP and its alternatives was released. In July 2015, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), the lead agencies under CEQA and NEPA, respectively, added three sub-alternatives to the BDCP that would update the SWP without the large-scale conservation efforts that were included in the BDCP. DWR and Reclamation, released the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix Partially Recirculated Draft EIR/Supplemental Draft EIS (RDEIR/SDEIS) for the BDCP Draft EIR/EIS to address certain issues raised in comments received on the Draft EIR/EIS. The California WaterFix¹, Alternative 4A, became DWR's CEQA preferred project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Reclamation's preferred alternative under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) with the publication of the RDEIR/SDEIS. It is now the Project being approved by DWR. The Project involves the construction of new north Delta intake structures with state-of-the-art fish screens that, when coupled with dual conveyance, will increase water supply reliability and align water operations to better reflect natural seasonal flow patterns. These intakes will reduce the SWP's and CVP's ongoing reliance on existing diversion facilities located at the far southern part of the Delta, allow for greater operational flexibility to protect fish, and capture water during high flow events when pumping in the south Delta would otherwise be restricted. Alternative 4A also includes habitat restoration commensurate with CEQA's mitigation requirements.

Under the Project, Alternative 4A, water would primarily be conveyed from the north Delta to the south Delta through pipelines/tunnels. Water would be diverted from the Sacramento River through three fish-screened intakes on the east bank of the Sacramento River between Clarksburg and Courtland. Water would travel from the fish-screened intakes through a gravity fed tunnel system to reach pumping plants at the expanded Clifton Court Forebay, feeding into the Banks and Jones Pumping Plants. Alternative 4A would include the continued use of the SWP/CVP south Delta export facilities.

California WaterFix is one element of Governor Brown's California Water Action Plan, which seeks to bolster regional self-sufficiency in water supplies, reduce reliance on the Delta, recover native fish populations and, overall, bring reliability, restoration, and resilience to California's water supply systems.

¹ For a detailed description of California WaterFix please see Chapter 3 of Final EIR/EIS.